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#### AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

**Please replace the paragraph at page 1, lines 5-13 with the following rewritten paragraph.**

This application is a continuation-in-part of and claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 120 to U.S. Patent Application Serial Number 10/317,832, entitled NOVEL DEATH ASSOCIATED PROTEINS, AND THAP1 AND PAR4 PATHWAYS IN APOPTOSIS CONTROL, filed December 10, 2002, ~~which is a nonprovisional application of and~~ now U.S. Patent No. 7,572,886, issued August 11, 2009, which claims benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) of U.S. Provisional Patent Application Serial Number 60/341,997, entitled NOVEL DEATH ASSOCIATED PROTEINS, AND THAP1 AND PAR4 PATHWAYS IN APOPTOSIS CONTROL, filed December 18, 2001. The disclosure of each of the above-listed priority applications is incorporated herein by reference in its entirety.